

Domenici (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 347, to provide for parental involvement in prevention of drug use by children. **Page S4926**

Domenici (for Snowe/Coverdell) Amendment No. 349, to express the sense of the Senate relative to higher education tax relief and higher education expenses. **Page S4926**

Withdrawn:

Bumpers Amendment No. 332, to express the sense of the Senate that no budget reconciliation bill shall increase the Federal deficit.

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Ashcroft Amendment No. 323, to limit increases in the statutory limit on the debt to the levels in the budget resolution. **Pages S4926, S4973, S4987**

Murray/Wellstone Amendment No. 291, to express the sense of the Congress concerning domestic violence. **Pages S4925, S4989**

Lautenberg (for Harkin) Amendment No. 350, to express the sense of the Senate supporting an increase in funding for defense 050 account funds dedicated for medical research. **Pages S4926, S4989**

Lautenberg (for Harkin/Bingaman) Amendment No. 351, to reduce the incentives to use tax gimmicks that artificially increase revenues in 2002 in ways that make balancing the deficit more difficult after 2002. **Page S4926, S4989**

Robb Amendment No. 356, to express the sense of the Senate on social security and retirement savings. **Pages S4926, S4989**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 41 yeas to 58 nays (Vote No. 83), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive the Congressional Budget Act with respect to consideration of Ashcroft Amendment No. 322, to add enforcement mechanisms to reflect the stated commitment to reach a balanced budget in 2002, to maintain a balanced budget thereafter, and to achieve these goals without raising taxes. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Page S4986**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the resolution and amendments pending thereto, on Friday, May 23, 1997, with a final vote to occur thereon. **Page S5021**

Appointments:

North Atlantic Assembly: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, in accordance with 22 U.S.C. 1928a–1928d, as amended, appointed Senator Hatch as a member of the Senate Delegation to the North Atlantic Assembly during the First Session of the

105th Congress, to be held in Luxembourg, May 28–June 1, 1997. **Page S5021**

North Atlantic Assembly: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, in accordance with 22 U.S.C. 1928a–1928d, as amended, appointed Senator Biden as Vice Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the North Atlantic Assembly during the 105th Congress. **Page S5021**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Kenneth S. Apfel, of Maryland, to be Commissioner of Social Security for the term expiring January 19, 2001.

Stanley O. Roth, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State.

Marc Grossman, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State.

John Christian Kornblum, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany.

David J. Scheffer, of Virginia, to be Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues. **Page S5021**

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Record Votes: Seven record votes were taken today. (Total—85) **Pages S4937–38, S4949, S4985–88**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 9:20 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, May 23, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5021.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN ASSISTANCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for foreign assistance programs, focusing on international affairs, after receiving testimony from Madeleine K. Albright, Secretary of State.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of James A. Harmon, of New York, to be President, and Jackie M. Clegg, of Utah, to be First Vice President, both of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Clegg was introduced by Senators Hatch and Bennett.

ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee held hearings to examine electronic funds transfer and electronic benefit transfer and the effect of these programs on Federal benefit recipients, receiving testimony from John D. Hawke, Jr., Under Secretary of the Treasury for Domestic Finance; John R. Dyer, Principle Deputy Commissioner, Social Security Administration; Stephen L. Lemons, Acting Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Benefits; Kathleen Myers, Brooklyn-Wide Interagency Council of the Aging, Inc., Brooklyn, New York; and Marcelyn Creque, American Association of Retired Persons, Richard A. Wannemacher, Jr., Disabled American Veterans, and Margot F. Saunders, National Consumer Law Center, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

PROFESSIONAL BOXING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded oversight hearings on activities of the professional boxing industry, focusing on the possible creation of a pension system or assistance fund for professional boxers, after receiving testimony from Richard DeCuir, California State Athletic Commission, Sacramento; Floyd Patterson, New York State Athletic Commission, Poughkeepsie; Brenda Reneau, Oklahoma Department of Labor, Oklahoma City; Gregory P. Sirb, Pennsylvania State Athletic Commission, Harrisburg, on behalf of the Association of Boxing Commissioners; Seth G. Abraham, Time Warner Sports, Roy Langbord, Showtime Networks, Inc., and Thomas Hoover, Veteran Boxers Association of New York, all of New York, New York; Jim Brady, Boxing News, Lawrence, Massachusetts; Rich Rose, Ceasars World Sports, Las Vegas, Nevada; Alfonso Daniels, Riverdale, Maryland; and Joseph M. DeGuardia, Bronx, New York.

INTERNET TAX FREEDOM ACT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded hearings on S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer

services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, after receiving testimony from Representatives Cox and White; Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury; Timothy M. Kaine, National League of Cities, Richmond, Virginia; Linda Rankin, Bear Creek Corporation, Medford, Oregon; Wade Anderson, Texas Office of the State Comptroller, Austin; Kendall L. Houghton, Committee on State Taxation, Washington, D.C.; and James Walton, Association of Online Professionals, Nashville, Tennessee.

ELECTRIC UTILITIES DEREGULATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee met to further discuss proposals to advance the goals of deregulation and competition in the electric power industry, focusing on financial implications of utility restructuring, receiving testimony from Ronald L. McMahan, Resource Data International, Inc., Boulder, Colorado; Steven M. Fetter, Fitch Investors Service, New York, New York; Kit Konolige, Morgan Stanley & Co., and Douglas W. Kimmelman, Goldman, Sachs & Co., both of New York, New York; Frank Pazlar, Minnesota Utility Investors, St. Paul; T. Graham Edwards, South Carolina Public Service Authority (Santee Cooper), Columbia, on behalf of the Large Public Power Council; and William D. Steinmeier, Jefferson City, Missouri, on behalf of the Electric Utility Shareholders Alliance.

Committee will meet again on Thursday, June 12.

COMMUNITY BASED FORESTRY

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management met to discuss the emerging process of community-based forestry, or finding community-based solutions to conflict resolution in public land management, receiving testimony from Lynn Jungwirth, Watershed Research and Training Center, Hayfork, California; Carol Daly, Flathead Economic Policy Center, Kalispell, Montana; Jonathan Kusel, Forest Community Research, Taylorsville, California; Dan'l Markham, Willapa Alliance, South Bend, Washington; Wendy Hinrichs Sanders, Lake States Forestry Alliance, Inc., Hayward, Wisconsin; Jack Shipley, Applegate Partnership, Grants Pass, Oregon; Nadine Bailey, Timber Producers Association of Michigan and Wisconsin, Inc., Rhilander, Wisconsin; Louis Blumberg, Wilderness Society, San Francisco, California; Neil Dion, Plumas Forest Project, Blairsden, California; John Doggett, American Farm Bureau, Washington, D.C.; and Bonnie Phillips, Pilchuck Audubon Society, Seattle, Washington.

CHINA MFN STATUS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs held hearings on East Asian and Pacific Affairs to examine whether the renewal of China's most favored nation status is an appropriate tool for the United States to use in trying to shape the Chinese government's international and domestic policy, receiving testimony from Representative Bereuter; Jeane J. Kirkpatrick, American Enterprise Institute; Nicholas R. Lardy, Brookings Institution; James J. Przystup, Heritage Foundation; and Robert Kagan, American University, all of Washington, D.C.; and Kenneth Lieberthal, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 261, to provide for a biennial budget process and a biennial appropriations process and to enhance oversight and the performance of the Federal Government, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 207, to review, reform, and terminate unnecessary and inequitable Federal subsidies, with amendments;

S. 307, to authorize the transfer to States of surplus personal property for donation to nonprofit providers of assistance to impoverished families and individuals;

H.R. 680, to authorize the transfer to States of surplus personal property for donation to nonprofit providers of necessities to impoverished families and individuals; and

The nominations of David J. Barram, of California, to be Administrator of General Services, and Mary Ann Gooden Terrell, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 768, for the relief of Michel Christopher Meili, Giuseppina Meili, Mirjam Naomi Meili, and Davide Meili;

S. 507, to establish the United States Patent and Trademark Organization as a Government corporation, to amend the provisions of title 35, United States Code, relating to procedures for patent applications, commercial use of patents, and reexamination reform, with amendments;

S. 610, to implement the obligations of the United States under the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction,

known as "the Chemical Weapons Convention" and opened for signature and signed by the United States on January 13, 1993, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 400, to streamline operations in the Patent and Trademark Office of the Department of Commerce and to provide efficient and effective protection of patents and trademarks, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Eric L. Clay, of Michigan, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, Arthur Gajarsa, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, Alan S. Gold, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, and Thomas W. Thrash, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia.

COLLEGE BOWL ALLIANCE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights and Competition concluded hearings to examine antitrust and competitive issues within the college football Bowl Alliance, which consists of the Southeastern Athletic Conference, the Big 12, the Atlantic Coast Conference, and the Big East, as well as the University of Notre Dame, after receiving testimony from Senators McConnell, Bennett, Thomas, and Enzi; Ron Cooper, University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky; Wally Richardson, Penn State University, State College, Pennsylvania; Richard Peace and David Baker, both of the University of Wyoming, Laramie; Roy F. Kramer, Southeastern Conference, Birmingham, Alabama; Karl Benson, Western Athletic Conference, Englewood, Colorado; Cedric W. Dempsey, National Collegiate Athletic Association, Overland Park, Kansas; Gary R. Roberts, Tulane University Law School, New Orleans, Louisiana; James E. Delany, Big Ten Conference, Park Ridge, Illinois; Chad Lewis, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah; Tim Layden, Sports Illustrated, New York, New York; and Richard Circuit, Plymouth Holiday Bowl, San Diego, California.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

AUTHORIZATION—SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Subcommittee on Public Health and Safety concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, after receiving testimony from Nelba Chavez, Administrator, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Marsha Lillie-Blanton, Associate Director, Health Services Quality and Public Health Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office;

Luceille Fleming, Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services, Columbus, on behalf of the National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors, Inc.; Mary Phillips Hauser, Marathon, Inc., Providence, Rhode Island, on behalf of Therapeutic Communities of America; J. David Hawkins, University of Washington, Seattle; James Langenbucher, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey; A. Kathryn Power, Rhode Island Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Hospitals, Cranston, on behalf of the National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors; Mary Jane England, Washington Business Group on Health, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the American Psychiatric Association; Philip J. Leaf, Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health, Baltimore, Maryland; and Fred Frese, National Alliance for the Mentally Ill, Akron, Ohio.

GPO REFORM

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded hearings to review legislative recommendations on certain revisions to Title 44 of the U.S. Code which authorizes the Government Printing Office to provide permanent public access to Federal government information, after receiving testimony from Henry J. Gioia, Senior Management Analyst, Office of the Director of Administration and Management, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense; Gary R. Bachula, Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce for Technology Administration; John W. Carlin, Archivist of the United States; and Joan K. Lippincott, Coalition for Networked Information, Washington, D.C.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 48 public bills, H.R. 1702–1749; 1 private bill, H.R. 1750; and 9 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 86–91 and H. Res. 156–158, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Taylor of North Carolina to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Rev. Sam P. Lamback, Jr. of Byron, Georgia.

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Journal Vote: By a recorded vote of 352 ayes to 65 noes, Roll No. 154, the House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, May 22.

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North Atlantic Assembly: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Bereuter, as Chairman; Representative Solomon, as Vice Chairman; and Representatives Regula, Bateman, Bliley, Boehlert, Roukema, Ballenger, Hamilton, Rush, Lantos, and Manton to the United States Group of the North Atlantic Assembly.

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Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Moakley motion to adjourn by a yea-and-nay vote of 80 yeas to 339 nays, Roll No. 152.

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Waiving Two-Thirds Vote Requirement For Same Day Consideration: The House agreed to H. Res. 155, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules.

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Suspension—Drug Free Communities Act: By a yea-and-nay vote of 420 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 153, the House voted to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 956, amended, to amend the National Narcotics Leadership Act of 1988 to establish a program to support and encourage local communities that first demonstrate a comprehensive, long-term commitment to reduce substance abuse among youth.

Pages H3176–87, H3190–91

Recess: The House recessed at 1:08 p.m. and reconvened at 6:38 p.m.

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Memorial Day District Work Period: By a recorded vote of 67 yeas to 278 noes, Roll No. 155, the House failed to agree to H. Con. Res. 87, providing for the adjournment of the two Houses of Congress.

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Recess: The House recessed at 7:45 p.m. and reconvened at 12:02 a.m. on Friday, May 23.

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